

**ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT
HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM
HABITAT ENHANCEMENT AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL**

PROJECT INFORMATION		
Project Title: Water Catchment Maintenance		Project No. 07-604
Region/GMU: Region 6, Units 22-23	HPC: Payson Natural Resources Comittee	
Project Type: Water catchment		
Project Description: This project would involve a cooperative funding effort to aid the U.S. Forest Service in enhancing habitat conditions through maintenance of 90+ wildlife water catchments in Game Management Units 22 and 23.		
Wildlife Species to Benefit: Elk, Deer		
Possible Funding Partners:		
Implementation Schedule: Beginning: June 1, 2008 Completed: May 31, 2010	NEPA Compliance: (if applicable) Completed: Yes <u>N/A</u> No ____ Projected Completion Date:	
PROJECT FUNDING		
SBG Funds Requested: \$18,000		
Cost Share Funds: \$10,350		
Total Project Costs: \$28,350		
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION		
Applicant: Dave Daniels (please print) Telephone: (928) 474-3142	Address: Arizona Game and Fish Department 7200 E. University Mesa AZ 85207	
AGFD Contact and Phone No. (If applicant is not AGFD personnel)		
Coordinated with: Duke Klein, USFS, TNF, Payson and P.V. Biologist	Date:	
Applicant's signature:	Date:	

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO:

Game Branch
2221 W. Greenway Rd.
Phoenix, AZ 85023
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WAS PROJECT PRESENTED TO THE LOCAL HPC? YES X NO

HAS PROJECT BEEN SUBMITTED IN PREVIOUS YEARS? IF SO WAS IT FUNDED?

Yes, funded and completed in 2003

NEED STATEMENT/PROBLEM ANALYSIS:

The U.S. Forest Service has created several wildlife water catchments on the Tonto National Forest, particularly on the Payson and Pleasant Valley Ranger Districts. Unfortunately, after creation of these developments many go without periodic maintenance and therefore are not functional after a few years. Several different species of wildlife use these catchments especially in times of drought and therefore they serve an important role in wildlife health. The need is for a contractor knowledgeable in water catchment maintenance procedures to visit these catchment sites and perform the needed maintenance to keep the developments operational. This project is expected to continue with a new Wildlife Habitat Enhancement Proposal to be submitted each few years.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

The primary objective of this project is to ensure that the wildlife water catchments are kept operational and continue to serve their purpose of providing water to wildlife especially in times of drought. The contractor will be provided with a list of catchments to be visited and inspected for maintenance needs and then perform the needed maintenance.

PROJECT STRATEGIES:

To inspect and repair over 90 water catchments in units 22 and 23.

PROJECT LOCATION:

Various sites in Units 22 and 23. Arizona Game and Fish Department will provide locations of catchment sites.

LAND OWNERSHIP AT PROJECT SITE (Please state specifically if PRIVATE PROPERTY and provide landowner's name):

United States Forest Service, Tonto National Forest.

IF PRIVATE PROPERTY, IS THERE A STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LANDOWNER AND THE DEPARTMENT?

HABITAT DESCRIPTION:

The habitat description varies from site to site but ranges from ponderosa pine/mixed conifer to upper Sonoran desert.

ITEMIZED USE OF FUNDS:

SBG funds Requested = \$18,000

USDA, TNF, Payson R.D. = \$9,600

AZGFD = \$750

LIST COOPERATORS AND DESCRIBE POTENTIAL PARTICIPATION:

Arizona Game and Fish Department – Special Big Game Funds

Provide funding for contractor labor (\$18,000).

Provide in-kind contributions in the form of labor for contract administration, project origination, and project coordination.

U.S. Forest Service, Tonto National Forest, Payson Ranger District

Provide administrative support, and provide supplies/equipment needed to make repairs for the project (\$9,600). Provide letter of approval for contracted maintenance of water catchments under U.S. Forest Service ownership.

Payson Natural Resources Committee

Review Project

PROJECT MONITORING PLAN:

The project proponent will ensure project completion with coordination between the Arizona Game and Fish Department and the Payson and Pleasant Valley Ranger Districts.

PROJECT MAINTENANCE:

Project maintenance and monitoring will be completed by the project proponent.

PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT TO BE FILED BY:

The project proponent is responsible for completing the project completion report.